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SUBJECT: HIGHLY ENRICHED URANIUM (HEU) FOR TRIGA REACTOR

REF: (A) STATE 083538, (B) BUCHAREST 2106

1. EMBASSY APPRECIATES TIMELY RESPONSE TO ITS QUERY ABOUT STATUS OF EXPORT LICENSE FOR HEU FUEL FOR TRIGA RESEARCH REACTOR. DR. OLARIU HAS NOT YET RETURNED TO HIS OFFICE, BUT AS SOON AS HE DOES, INFORMATION THAT NRC HAS BEEN ASKED TO EXPEDITE CONSIDERATION OF LICENSE TOGETHER WITH HEU CHECKLIST WILL BE DELIVERED TO HIM.

2. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, LONG DELAY IN APPROVING EXPORT LICENSE FOR TRIGA FUEL HAS BEEN TROUBLESOME ISSUE IN OUR NUCLEAR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOR AND HAS HAD ITS EFFECT ON OUR OVERALL RELATIONSHIP. ROMANIANS HAVE NOT INDICATED THAT NUCLEAR ISSUES WILL BE ON PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU'S LIST FOR DISCUSSION WITH PRESIDENT CARTER, BUT IT POSSIBLE THAT QUESTION OF LICENSE FOR EXPORT OF TRIGA FUEL AND ADVANCE ASSURANCES FOR EXPORT OF U.S. COMPONENTS IN CANDU POWER REACTOR WILL BE RAISED BY MEMBER OF PRESIDENT'S PARTY. RESOLUTION OF TRIGA
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ISSUE BY NRC APPROVAL OF EXPORT LICENSE PRIOR TO OR DURING PRESIDENTIAL VISIT COULD OF COURSE ENHANCE ATMOSPHERE.

3. ON MORE OPERATIONAL LEVEL, ASKING ROMANIANS FOR INFORMATION ABOUT FUTURE REQUESTS FOR HEU FUEL BEFORE THEY HAVE FINAL ASSURANCE THAT INITIAL CORE LOADING HAS BEEN APPROVED WILL PROBABLY NOT PROMOTE POSITIVE REACTION

WE HOPE FOR RE REVISED U.S. POLICIES VIS-A-VIS HEU.
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